

9:01 May 24, 1941

Bismarck sank the Hood
(East of Greenland)

May 1, 1941

The Orson Welles motion
picture "Citizen Kane"
promised in New York

Nov 26, 1941

even as Japanese diplomats negotiated
in Washington, a strike force of
31 Japanese warships slipped from
Japan into the North Pacific

Dec 7, 1941
~~Dec 8, 1941~~

1,177 sailors and marines
were killed on board the
U.S.S. Arizona sunk during
Pearl Harbor Attack

No. 6 fuel oil still leaks into
the Harbor.

It was Saturday night in Hawaii
It was Sun morning to me
in Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

The National Park Service inherited
the Arizona from the U.S. Navy
in 1980

the admiral Isaac C. Kidd died
on the bridge of the Arizona, only his
Naval Academy ring was found, fused
by heat to the steel of the ship's
conning tower

Dec. 7, 1941 (Sun)

Japanese planes bombed the
United States Naval base at
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

(I was Prison Sergeant in 3rd
Armed Div @ Ft. Benning.)

1941 and following

more than 750,000 men & women from Texas served in the Armed forces in World War II.

14 Texans received the medal of Honor including 5 Mexican Americans

The Great Depression finally came to an end.

1941

Georgia, Massachusetts and
Connecticut finally ratified
the Bill of Rights (at its
150th anniversary)

MAY 27, 1941

The Bismarck (Germany's
premier fighting ship) sank

600 mi West of Brest
France

in > 15,000 ft of water

Feb +, 1941

The United Service Organization (USO)
came into existence

May 18, 1941 (Sunday)

Admiral Gunther Lutjens
took the German battleship
Bismarck to sea from GDA
in the Baltic to raid Atlantic convoys
in which Britain depended in World War II.
He was accompanied by the Cruiser
Prinz EUGEN.

As he entered the Skagerrak between
German-occupied Denmark and

Norway, a British agent in Norway reported
the ships and advised news of their
departure to the Admiralty in London

Lutjens spent a day in Bergen fjord
refueling ~~Prinz Eugen~~ (but not Bismarck),
a major mistake

Sep 6, 1941

Jews over the age of 6 in
German-occupied areas were
ordered to wear yellow stars of
David.

Oct 31, 1941

The U.S. Navy Destroyer Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of 115 lives, even though the U.S. had not yet entered World War II.

Oct 17, 1944

The U.S. destroyer Kearsay was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Iceland. Eleven people died.

Mar. 22, 1941

The Grand Coulee Dam in
Washington State went into
operation

Mar. 11, 1941

Pres. Franklin Roosevelt signed
into law the Lend - Lease Bill,
providing war supplies to
countries fighting the Axis.

June 1941

Hitler attacked the Soviet
Union

Dec 7, 1941

2,403 men were killed.
The U. S. navy was crippled.

Oct 5, 1941

Former Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis - the first Jewish member of the nation's highest court - died in Washington, D.C., at age 84.

Sept 11, 1941

Charles A. Lindbergh sparked charges of Anti-Semitism with a speech in which he said "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were trying to draw the United States into World War II.

Oct. 2, 1941

German armies began Operation
"TYPHOOON" — an all-out drive
against Moscow.

Oct 3, 1941

Adolf Hitler declared in a speech in Berlin that Russia had been "broken" and would "never rise again."

1941

Georgia, Massachusetts, and Connecticut did not ratify the Bill of Rights to the US Constitution until 1941 its 150th anniversary

Aug 30, 1941

The World War II siege of Leningrad began.

Jan 13, 1941

Novelist James Joyce died
in Zurich, Switzerland.

Wednesday 21 May 1941

Two hours before British bombers arrived Besnard vanished into northern waters.

Admiral J.C. Tovey, commanding at Scapa Flow, already had cruisers Norfolk and Suffolk guarding Denmark Strait (narrowed by Greenland's ice shelf). He now sent three cruisers to cover the wide passage between

Iceland and the Faeroes and headed west
in the battleship King George V, in
company with the carrier Victorious.

Already south of Iceland were the
battleship Prince of Wales and the mounted
battle cruiser Hood (less armful for
increased speed)

June 2, 1941

Baseball's "Iron Horse" Lou Gehrig died in New York of a degenerative disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

(They call this Lou Gehrig's Disease)

1941

Klystron, a component of Army radar sets was developed in 1941 by American physicist William W. Hansen (1909-1949).

Fri 23 May 1941 (night)

Cruisers Norfolk and Suffolk crossed the path of the German ships Bismarck + Prinz Eugen. Luckily they escaped Bismarck's fire and slip off into the fog. Suffolk had a radar set (one of 1st) and outwitted all German efforts to shake the cruisers. Vice Admiral Hancock followed in Hood, followed by Prince of Wales, now moved in

for an interception

1941-45

During WW II, the U.S. used
Liberia as an outpost against
Axis powers in Africa

July 19, 1941

British Prime Minister Winston Churchill launched "V for Victory" campaign in Europe

Dec 22, 1941

British Prime Minister Winston Churchill
arrived in Washington for war-time
conference with Pres. Roosevelt.

Dec 23, 1941

During World War II, American forces in Wake Island surrendered to the Japanese.

Sat 24 May 1941

The British Admiralty ordered the battleship Renown, aircraft carrier Ark Royal and cruiser Sheffield up from Gibraltar on Sat 24 May 41

6am Mon May 26, 1941

The battle against the Bismarck started. Bismarck turned left.

Her fifth salvo penetrated Hood's flimsy deck armor and struck the main magazine. The push of the Royal Navy broke in two and blew up taking Admiral Holland and all but 4 survivors of her 1500 crew to the bottom. Prince

of Wales made smoke and retreated -
she had actually hit Bismarck twice,
sprung an oil leak and knocking out
a boiler room, reducing her speed.

A flight of biplane torpedo bombers from
Victorous attacked, but the one that
boomerded off the Arno.

Bismarck was now too low on fuel to
continue the raid; she sent Prinz Eugen
on ahead, and headed for Brest, shaking
off the surveying cruisers & made a
run for Brest (under German guns & planes)

26 May 1941

British lost Bismarck, but again located her when she broke radio silence to inform Berlin of her intentions. Only the ships from Gibraltar were in position. Sheffield found her. Just then planes from the Ark Royal came up & attacked Sheffield (2 stocks - Bismarck 1 stock). The planes returned to Ark Royal.

repelled, reversed & returned. They attacked
the Bismarck from all angles. Bismarck
turned to avoid a torpedo coming from
ahead which then struck her rudder &
jammed it. She could only go in
circles. They harassed Bismarck all moon
night

Tue AM 27 May 1941

King George V and battleship Rodney closed in from the left with cruiser Norfolk and Dorsetshire adding their 8-in salvos to the heavies, King George V with fuel nearly exhausted had to break off. Dorsetshire sent 3 torpedoes with Bismarck.

At 10:30 AM, Bismarck turned turtle and sank

It had taken the combined efforts of
8 battleships and battle cruisers; 2 aircraft
carriers, 11 cruisers, 21 destroyers, six
submarines and more than 300 air sorties
to sink her; some 60 torpedoes had been
fired at her (with at most 4 hitting
before Dorsetshire's 3)

About 60 survivors had been
picked out of the icy waters when
German submarines were suspected, so
they left. U boats plucked 3 Bismarck
survivors off one raft & next night 2 more
all survivors of crew 81, 982 men

May 24, 1941

The German battleship
Bismarck sank the British
dreadnought Hood in the
North Atlantic.

May 27, 1941

The British navy sank the
German battleship Bismarck
off France, with a loss of 2,300
lives.

May 27, 1941

Amid rising world tensions,
Pres. Franklin Roosevelt proclaimed
an "unlimited" national emergency."

Dec 7, 1941

The attack on Pearl Harbor by the
Japanese sank or heavily damaged
21 ships, destroyed or damaged
323 aircraft; killed, 2,388
military personnel and civilians
and wounded 1,178.

Dec. 6, 1941

General Short in charge of Hawaiian defense was informed that the Japanese Consulate in Honolulu was burning its papers.

Mar 22, 1941

The Grand Coulee Dam in
Washington State went into
operation.

Dec 7, 1941

Japanese forces attacked
Pearl Harbor

Dec 9, 1941

U.S. entered World War II as
Congress declared war against Japan,
a day after the attack on Pearl
Harbor.

Dec 9, 1941

China declared war on Japan,
Germany and Italy

Dec 11, 1941

Germany & Italy declared
war on the United States; the
United States responded in kind.

Mar 16, 1941

Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt
signed into law the Lend-Lease
Bill, providing war supplies
to countries fighting the Axis.

Jan 13, 1941

Novelist James Joyce died in
Zurich, Switzerland.

Dec 11, 1941

Germany and Italy declared war on the United States which responded in kind.

Dec 26, 1941

Winston Churchill became
the first British prime
minister to address a
joint meeting of the
U.S. Congress

22 JUNR 1941

GERMANS BEGAN
INVASION OF
RUSSIA

Dec 9, 1941

Chernia declared war on Japan,
Germany, and Italy

Dec 8, 1941

The U. S. entered World War II as Congress declared war against Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

(my 3 yr hitch in US Army was up. I was supposed to be discharged today in 1941. I was finally discharged Dec 8, 1965)

Dec 7, 1941

japan launched an attack
on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

1941

One Vote paved the draft -
just weeks before Pearl Harbor
was attacked.

1941

Syria and Lebanon
become independent

1941

There were 21 licensed television stations in U.S.

1941

Citizen Kane
Film about private life of
a press magnate.

May 10, 1941

Randolph Hess flew secretly to Britain in a bazaar attempt to forge a peace with Winston Churchill and King George VI

May 10, 1941

Adolf Hitler's deputy, Rudolf Hess, parachuted into Scotland on what he claimed was a peace mission

May 6, 1941

Dictator Josef Stalin assumed
the Soviet premiership replacing
Vyacheslav M. Molotov.

Apr 17, 1941

Yugoslavia surrendered
to Germany in World War II.

Dec 7, 1941

Pearl Harbor was bombed
on Julian day 2,430, 336 (exact)

Invasion of Normandy
took place on JD 2,431, 247
June 6, 1944 D Day
JD 2,431, 247 (my calc)

1941

Manhattan Project (Atomic Bomb) begins

1941-1944

Siege of Leningrad by Germany.
longest siege of this century (900 days)

1941

~~Jan 1st~~

Paganini Jossy (Ranmonia)

1941

Germans invade Russia

Japan and U.S. enter the War

1941

British Routed Italians
and Emperor Haile Selassie
of Ethiopia returned

1941

First network TV Broadcast
begun.

June 22, 1941

From June 22, 1941 - some
11 million more Russian
soldiers died fighting
Hitler.

1941

In summer & fall of 1941
Half the Russian Army was
wiped out

Dec 7, 1981

The "Declaration of Independence" was taken down & trip via Pullman car transported it at the protection of an underground vault in Ft. Knox, Kentucky for a 3 yr stay. Then it went back to Library of Congress.

1941

Russia - Poland

Pogroms in Kaunas and
Lvov.

Massacres by Einsatz - gruppen
in occupied Russia.

Expulsion from the Reich to
Poland

First death Camp established
(Treblinka)

Jan - Feb 1941

Battle of BEIJING FOMM

British - Australian forces
won an important victory
during British North African
Campaign, annihilating Italian
Tenth Army and turning
the tide of WW II in
Africa

10:10 P.M. May 24, 1941

The English ship Victorius
launched aircraft to attack
Bismarck (S.E. of Cape Farewell -
Greenland)

At midnight the Suffolk;
Prince of Wales; & Norfolk attacked
the Bismarck following the
air attack. (N. of 57° N and
W 0736°)

May 24, 1941

German battleship BISMARCK
sank British battle cruiser
HOOD and damaged PRINCE
OF WALES. - off coast
of Greenland.

Dec 8, 1941

Churchill announced to House of Commons that the U.S. has entered WW II.

Quo: "In the past, we have had a light that flickered; in the present, we have a light which flares, and, in the future, there will be a light which shines over all the land and sea."

May 1941

German battleship Bismarck
sunk in North Atlantic

May 27, 1941

Bismarck, German battleship,
was sunk by British
400 miles from Brest, France
in North Atlantic

1941

France

Opening of Concentration
Camps at DRAVCY

1944

Erez Israel

Jerusalem

Palmach was organized

1941 - 44

Jew and

France

83,000 Jews were
deported and murdered

1941

Germany

Jewish emigration was
prohibited

1941

~~Germany~~

Anti-Jewish laws
in Slovakia

1941

Jan His

Armenia

death of Louis D. Brandeis

Dec. 7, 1941

On Peaceful Sunday morning of
12/7/41 Japanese planes attacked
the American fleet at Pearl Harbor
in Hawaii.

2,403 Americans died in the attack
1,777 Americans died aboard
U.S. S. Arizona

Major base of U.S. Fleet

Seven of Amer. battleships were anchored

one bomb hit Arizona's forward magazine. The enormous explosion broke the battleship in two "A dot which will live in memory"

7 battleships crippled.

5 were repaired

Arizona & Oklahoma could not be salvaged

Mar 14, 1941

AND JULY 3 1941.

152 Poles including Catholic priests were shot by Germans at AUSCHWITZ I's GRAVE
HEAP.

1941

Income Tax in U.S.

22 million people filed

4.9 million filed for 1st time

Exemptions Single person 750⁰⁰

Married 1,500⁰⁰

4%

1941

Total Personal income in U.S.
was 95 Billon

61 B in Wages & Salaries

21 B in Proprietor & rental income

13 B all others personal
95 B

1941

The U.S. public debt
stood at about 49 billion

1941-1944

Siege of Stalingrad by Germany.

The turning point of World War II
in Europe.

At one point, Germans held 90% of the city.

The Soviets fed in enough fresh troops to keep
the siege going until a decisive counterattack
cut off some 200,000 of the exhausted
Germans.

Jan. 9, 1941

First public demonstration
of color television

MAY 19, 1941

(Sunk on May 27, 1941)

BISMARCK departed from GDYNIA, Poland and with PRINZ EUGEN heads for the north. Along with orders to disrupt Britain's lifeline by destroying convoys of food and war supplies from North America.

Ranged against BISMARCK

and Prinz Eugen is Britain's
Home Fleet based at Scapa Flow
in the ORKNEY Islands including
the pride of the Royal Navy, the
battle Cruiser H.M.S. HOOD.

Bismarck was state of the art ship
sitting off on her maiden voyage
which lasted till May 27, 1941
923 ft long 118 ft wide. Displaced 50,000 Tons

MAY 20, 1941 12:01 AM

threading the narrows between Denmark & Sweden on May 20, 1941 Bismarck & Prinz Eugen are sighted by a Swedish cruiser. The British naval attaché in Stockholm relays word to London. Norwegian resistance fighters report the German ships offshore. A British reconnaissance Spitfire photographs Bismarck

Prince Eugen refueled in Norway
but Borsig did not

May 21, 1941.

Bismarck & Prince Eugen head
west and then North around
Norway

May 22, 1941

Bismarck & Prince Eugen
head north to the Arctic Circle
the British believe Bismarck is
bound for the North Atlantic, - but
which route? With choice of 4 the
British divide their forces, and
send the battle Cruiser Hood and
newly commissioned battleship
Prince of Wales to join cruisers

Norfolk & Suffolk on patrol in the
Denmark Strait between Iceland &
Greenland.

On May 22, 1941 Bismarck & Prinz
Eugen leave Norwegian waters. The
German fleet commander heads for
distant Denmark Strait narrowed
by ice and misfields to a
width of less than 60 miles

May 23, 1941

Bismarck & Prince Eugen
are sighted on May 23 by Suffolk &
Norfolk in Denmark Strait. Bismarck
opened fire on Norfolk but Norfolk
escapes through fog & mist.
With help of radar, the British trail
the Germans.

250 miles to the East Hood & Prince
of Wales are closing fast. The

British battleships King George I and
Aircraft carrier VICTORIOUS join the
chase. The Ark Royal and other ships
sail from Gibraltar and will
eventually join the battle

MAY 24, 1941

off Greenland (of Denmark) the
German Bismarck sank the English
Hood @ 8:01 AM.

The SUFFOLK, and the NORFOLK,
PRINCE OF WALES pursued
Bismarck headed south
@ 10:10 PM. another British ship
VICTORIOUS launched Aircraft
This Air Attack was followed by

a sea fight (U.S. was not at
war then)

about 35° W & 58° Nth.

May 24, 1941

At 5:35 AM Hood & Prince of Wales sight the German ships Bismarck & Prinz Eugen. They commence firing. The Germans reply.

@ 6:01 a Bismarck shell strikes one of Hood's magazines. The ship disintegrates in a gigantic fireball. Out of a crew of 1,419 only 3 survive. Meanwhile Prince of

Wales hits Bismarck's bow, cutting off access to more than 1000 tons of precious fuel. A second hit reduces Bismarck's speed by 2 or 3 knots.

Bismarck is pitching & down at the bow from flooding shortly before midnight May 24/25

Torpedo - carrying biplanes from Victorious attack Bismarck: score one hit but inflict little damage
shortly thereafter Bismarck evades British Forces

May 25, 1941

Bismarck & Prince Eugen split up.
Bismarck will seek repairs in Nazi-
held St. Nazaire, France, 2,000 mi
& to the southeast. Prince Eugen is to
continue her mission.

Nor low on fuel, Bismarck must
take a direct course.

May 26, 1941

A reconnaissance plane out of Northern Ireland spots Bismarck, now near $50^{\circ}N$ $22^{\circ}W$, almost within protective cover of LUFTWAFFE aircraft based in France.

In a desperate attempt to slow Bismarck, torpedo planes from Ark Royal attack & score two confirmed hits, one Ammunition and the other astern. Ammunition does little damage, but the one in the

stem joins Bismarck's rudders
irreparably, so that the ship can
only steam into the wind (This
is directly toward the British Forces

May 27, 1941

After a night of attacks by British destroyers, the Bismarck, unable to steer heads into a heavy Northwest wind.

Soon her fire-control system and then her main turrets are knocked out. HMS. ROONEY & KING GEORGE V pour in 14" & 16" shells at point blank range on the port side while NORFOLK and DORSETSHIRE rake the starboard.

By 10 A.M. Bismarck is a battered derelict
the German Commander ordered the ship
scuttled. In a Coup de Grace Dorsetshire
fired 3 torpedoes.

At about 10:40 A.M. Bismarck
sides beneath the waves.

Sank at approx $16^{\circ}14'W$ $48^{\circ}10'N$
3 miles deep (15,617 ft) 600 mi West of
British fired 2,876 shells at her on the last day
before she sank. There were 115 survivors out
of a crew of 2,200

MAY 27, 1941

The Bismarck was sunk
by British ships.

June 22 1941

Hitler attacked Russia. (Despite non-aggression pact).

June 22, 1941

Hitler turned on his friend Russia and attacked.
The War lasted 1418 more days.

Soviet Army 190 divisions
5.5 m men 47 m horses
& mortars, 4,300 tanks & about 5000
planes.

Soviet Army - 207 m men

37,000 guns & mortars

1500 tanks

1000 planes

By middle July 1941 the Wehrmacht
lost half its tanks and about
1300 planes

Sept 1941

By Sept 1941 Germany
had lost 535,000 men to the
Russians. Were stopped at
Koenigsberg.

Moscow was under siege
Battle of Moscow was begun.

Dec 5, 1941

The Russian Army went
in counteroffensive - around
Moscow
then Leningrad

Dec 7 1941

The Japanese destroyed by air attacks an American battle fleet at Pearl Harbor in the Pacific and a British battle fleet off Malaya.

Dec 7, 1941

Japan Attacks Pearl Harbor

Dec 7, 1941

JAPAN attacks Pearl Harbor.
U.S. declared War. (World War II)

AD1941

NAPALM - United States

July 16 - Aug 6, 1941

Germany captured or killed
more than 100,000 Russians
surrounding the city of STALINSK
during WWII

July 16 - Aug 6, 1941

Sunday
Dec. 7, 1941

@ 7:55 AM Japanese bombs were
dropping in Pearl Harbor in
Honolulu

Dec. 25, 1941

Hong Kong surrendered to
Japan after 17-day siege

Dec 8/9, 1941

Japanese attack the Philippines
Thailand, Malaya, Hong Kong,
Singapore, Guam and Wake
Islands

1941

Peter Goldmark develops color television system.

1941-1945

Caesium ion clock
maser clock.

1941-1945

Caesium ion Clock.
Maser Clock

1941-1945

Double British Summer Time
in force

1941 - 1945

Caesium ion clock.

Maser clock

1941-1945

Double B.S.T. in force
(B.S.T. = British summer time)

1941

Dec 7, 1954

on the morning of Dec 7. about an hour before the Japanese planes struck, Admiral Kimmel was informed that his ships had sunk a Japanese minisub trying to enter Pearl Harbor

1941

Lebanon independent